

## Message Text

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SUBJ: NON-ALIGNED COORDINATING COMMITTEE (NACC) CONSIDERATION  
OF PUERTO RICO

REF: STATE 074814

1. ON MARCH 30, CHARGE CALLED ON JAYANTHA DHANAPALA, RE-  
CENTLY APPOINTED DIRECTOR OF MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS NON-

ALIGNED CONFERENCE DIVISION, TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE NACC CONSIDERATION OF PUERTO RICO AT KABUL MEETING. USING TALKING POINTS CONTAINED PARA 8 REFTTEL, CHARGE EXPLAINED US POSITION ON PUERTO RICO AND URGED THAT SRI LANKA PLAY A MODERATING ROLE SHOULD PUERTO RICO BE RAISED AS AN ISSUE AT THE MEETING.

2. DHANAPALA NOTED THAT PUERTO RICO HAS NOT BEEN A RECENT NAM ISSUE AND THAT KABUL AGENDA WOULD PROBABLY BE A REVIEW OF MAJOR ISSUES OF CONCERN TO NAM. HE DOES NOT BELIEVE PUERTO RICO WILL RECEIVE MUCH ATTENTION IF IT IS RAISED. AS AT LAST YEAR'S NEW DELHI NACC MEETING, HE EXPECTS THERE WILL BE AN EFFORT TO DOWNPLAY CONTENTIOUS ISSUES AT KABUL. DHANAPALA SAID THAT SHOULD PUERTO RICO BE RAISED, SRI LANKA WOULD OF COURSE BEAR IN MIND US VIEWS ON THE MATTER.

3. DHANAPALA RECENTLY RETURNED FROM A WASHINGTON ASSIGNMENT. HE IS FAMILIAR WITH US POSITION ON PUERTO RICO AND WHILE NON-COMMITTAL ON WHAT SRI LANKA WOULD DO IF ISSUE IS RAISED, HE APPEARED TO BE SYMPATHETIC TO US POSITION. HE WILL PROBABLY BE A MEMBER OF SRI LANKA'S DELEGATION TO THE KABUL MEETING.  
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